

Business & Economic Development Partnership
May 11, 2012
7:00 – 8:30 a.m.

Burien City Hall
400 SW 152nd Street, 3rd Floor
Miller Creek Conference Room

Minutes

Present: Judy Coovert, Mark Minium, Bryan Suter, James Hughes, David Elliot, Rick Onoyshko, Suzanne Greive, Carmen Goers and Paul Smith

Excused absences: Kevin Fitz, Bob Ewing

Guests: Joey Martinez

Staff: Mike Martin, City Manager; Dan Trimble, Economic Development Manager; Nhan Nguyen, Management Analyst

Approval of Minutes

Carmen Goers opened the meeting. Minutes for April 27 meeting were approved as written.

Public Comment: Joey Martinez commented that Normandy Park is revitalizing the retail area near QFC. He asked the BEDP to work on setting up a pilot program to bring in visitors to the businesses in Burien. Joey was advised to present the idea to Discover Burien as well.

Chair's Report

Carmen Goers reported that the Metro F Link is approved and funded.

City Manager's Report

Mike Martin reported that the Northeast Redevelopment Area (NERA) is materializing with money from the Washington State and FAA. Town Square is filling up with tenants, and the revitalization of 1st Avenue is on the horizon. City is working with the Port of Seattle on job creation, human capital and economy.

Economic Development Manager's Report

Dan Trimble reported funding from Washington State Departments of Ecology and Commerce were secured for work on the NERA stormwater facility and to plan for off-ramps. StartZone is partnering with Bainbridge Institute to create green small business opportunities. With the 153rd Street project, the City is working to outreach to property owners and business owners; Tax Increment Financing and Local Improvement District are among financing options. John Tippins was designated as the new manager for Town Square. He is trying different approaches to create buzz and to activate the retail spaces in the condo building.

Discover Burien's Report

James Hughes reported that Discover Burien recently had a Board election. Four new members were elected; two of which were re-elected.

Round the Table

Judy Coover announced Soroptimist International Seattle South's 4th Annual Casino and Texas Hold'em Tournament on May 19th at the Normandy Park Cove.

Next Meeting: Friday, May 25, 2012 - 7 AM, City Hall